

February 17, 2005

TO: Members of the MAG Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Stephen S. Cleveland, Goodyear City Manager, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, February 24, 2005 - 1:30 p.m.  
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Saguaro Room  
302 North 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Phoenix

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## TENTATIVE AGENDA

### COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Air Quality Technical Advisory Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Air Quality Technical Committee requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

3. Approval of the November 4, 2004 Meeting Minutes

4. Redesignation to Attainment Status for Carbon Monoxide

On January 5, 2005, the Environmental Protection Agency announced that the Maricopa County nonattainment area would be redesignated to attainment status for carbon monoxide. The EPA also indicated that the Revised MAG 1999 Serious Area Carbon Monoxide Plan and Maintenance Plan would be approved. These actions will be published in the Federal Register in the near future. Please refer to the enclosed material.

5. Update on PM-10 Exceptional and Natural Events

The Arizona Department of Environmental Quality has developed and adopted an Air Quality Exceptional and Natural Events Policy.

2. For information.

3. Review and approve the November 4, 2004 meeting minutes.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

Under the ADEQ policy, when a PM-10 exceedance is observed, the Department may make a determination that the exceedance is the result of a natural or exceptional event, based on technical and scientific evidence.

Recently, ADEQ notified EPA that the elevated monitor readings on August 13, 2004 were due to natural events. In addition, the Department is in the process of reevaluating the technical criteria for determining PM-10 natural events. Stakeholder meetings will be conducted over the year. A status report will be presented. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. Analysis of Vehicle Travel and Federal Vehicle Emission Controls

The MAG staff has prepared an analysis of trends in vehicle miles of travel (VMT) for the MAG region and federal vehicle emission rates. The analysis concludes that the rate of growth in regional VMT has been, and will continue to be, more than offset by the federally mandated reduction in tailpipe emissions. A presentation on the analysis will be given.

7. Draft Air Quality Projects for the MAG FY 2006 Work Program

The MAG FY 2006 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget is currently being developed. MAG staff will provide an overview of the Air Quality Element of the Work Program. A new project is being proposed for consideration.

In addition, a Tentative MAG Air Quality Project Schedule has been prepared which describes ongoing projects and projects previously approved by the Regional Council. Please refer to the enclosed material.

6. For information and discussion.

7. For information and discussion.

8. CMAQ Annual Report

In accordance with federal guidance, the 2004 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Annual Report describes how funds have been spent and the expected air quality benefits. The report was prepared by MAG in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation. This year, the report is in the new electronic format required by the Federal Highway Administration. Please refer to the enclosed material.

9. Legislative Update

An update on key air quality bills introduced in the Arizona Legislature will be presented.

10. Call for Future Agenda Items

The next meeting of the Committee is tentatively scheduled for March 24, 2005. The Chairman will invite the Committee members to suggest future agenda items.

8. For information and discussion.

9. For information and discussion.

10. For information and discussion.